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ACTION MEMORANDUM

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

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Action Memorandum No. A-44Date 10 September 1962

TO : DD/1

SUBJECT :

REFERENCE:

1. Mr. McCone has cabled the following

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"Difficult for me to rationalize extensive costly defenses being established in Cuba as such extreme costly measures to accomplish security and secrecy not consistent with other policies such as refugees, legal travel, etc. Appears to me quite possible measures now being taken are for purpose of insuring secrecy of some offensive capability such as MRBAs to be installed by Soviets after present phase completed and country secured from overflights. Suggest BNE study motives behind these defensive measures which even seem to exceed those provided most satellites."

2. Will you please have the Board of National Estimates undertake the necessary analysis.

/s/

E. H. Knoche

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